

Practitioner's Docket No. ID1048



**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of: John Paul Russell, Christopher David Murton, David Michael Goodman,  
Christopher Thomas William Ramsden and James Shields  
Serial No.: 09/166,814 Group No.: 2734  
Filed: October 6, 1998 Examiner: Unknown  
TITLE: CONCATENATION OF CONTAINERS  
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**Washington, D.C. 20231**

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**COMPLETION OF FILING REQUIREMENTS**  
**—NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION**

**I.** This replies to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application (PTO-1533) mailed October 26, 1998.

A copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application—Filing Date Granted (Form PTO-1533) is enclosed.

**DECLARATION OR OATH**

**II.** No declaration or oath was filed. Enclosed is the original declaration or oath for this application.

The Declaration is signed by the inventors: John Paul Russell, Christopher David Murton, David Michael Goodman, Christopher Thomas William Ramsden and James Shields

**COMPLETION FEES**

**III. Surcharge Fee**

Late filing of original declaration or oath  
(37 C.F.R. 1.16(e)) \$130.00  
TOTAL COMPLETION OF FEES \$130.00

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IV. Applicant believes that no Extension of Time is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that Applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee for Extension of Time.

#### TOTAL FEE DUE

V. The total fee due is:

Completion fees	<u>\$130.00</u>
<b>Total Fee Due</b>	<b>\$130.00</b>

#### PAYMENT OF FEES

VI. Charge Account No. 50-0210 in the amount of \$130.00.

A duplicate of this request is attached.

Please charge Account No. 50-0210 for any fees that may be due by this paper.

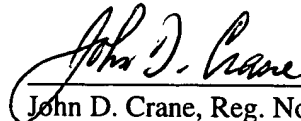
#### AUTHORIZATION TO CHARGE ADDITIONAL FEES

VII. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the following additional fees that may be required by this paper and during the pendency of this application to Account No. 50-0210.

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**NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION**  
**Filing Date Granted**

An Application Number and Filing Date have been assigned to this application. The items indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE within which to file all required items and pay fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). If any of items 1 or 3 through 5 are indicated as missing, the SURCHARGE set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$65.00 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, or \$130.00 for a non-small entity, must also be timely submitted in reply to this NOTICE to avoid abandonment.

If all required items on this form are filed within the period set above, the total amount owed by applicant as a  
☐ small entity (statement filed) ☒ non-small entity is \$ 130.00

- ☐ 1. The statutory basic filing fee is:  
☐ missing.  
☐ insufficient.  
Applicant must submit \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to complete the basic filing fee and/or file a small entity statement claiming such status (37 CFR 1.27)
- ☒ 2. Additional claim fees of \$ \_\_\_\_\_, including any multiple dependent claim fees, are required.  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_ independent claims over 3.  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_ dependent claims over 20.  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_ for multiple dependent claim surcharge.  
Applicant must either submit the additional claim fees or cancel additional claims for which fees are due.
- ☒ 3. The oath or declaration:  
☒ is missing or unexecuted.  
☐ does not cover the newly submitted items.  
☐ does not identify the application to which it applies.  
☐ does not include the city and state or foreign country of applicant's residence.  
An oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, including residence information and identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- ☐ 4. The signature(s) to the oath or declaration is/are by a person other than inventor or person qualified under 37 CFR 1.42, 1.43 or 1.47.  
A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- ☐ 5. The signature of the following joint inventor(s) is missing from the oath or declaration:

An oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63 listing the names of all inventors and signed by the omitted inventor(s), identifying this application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.

- ☐ 6. A \$50.00 processing fee is required since your check was returned without payment (37 CFR 1.21(m)).
- ☐ 7. Your filing receipt was mailed in error because your check was returned without payment.
- ☐ 8. The application does not comply with the Sequence Rules.  
See attached "Notice to Comply with Sequence Rules 37 CFR 1.821-1.825."

☒ 9. OTHER:  
Direct the reply and any questions about this notice to "Attention: Box Missing and..."

**A copy of this notice MUST be returned with the reply.**

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